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MUNITIONS PRODUCTION AND SOVIET-TYPE WEAPONS USED IN HUNGARY

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MANUFACTURE NEW-TYPE MINE

Production of a new high-power contact mine was recently started at the Kobanya Mass Products Works (Kobanya Mass Products Works). The new mine is 15 centimeters high and 28 centimeters in diameter and is made of pressed metal. A large number of underwater mines is being manufactured for the USSR. The plant is associated with the Nagyteteny war material factory.

WEAPONS PARTS MANUFACTURED AT CSEPEL

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Weapon parts are being manufactured under other names in the Matyas Rakosi Works at Csepel. The workers found out that "machine parts" are actually gun carriages, "support parts" mean bridge mechanisms, and "lathe slide tracks" mean gun recoil tracks. In the press shop 250- and 450-kilogram bombs are being manufactured and are officially called gas containers.

STANDARD FACTORY PRODUCES RADAR SHOOTING SIGHTS

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The Standard Electric Enterprise recently started producing radar shooting sight parts. It is reported that the new shooting sight is based on the Lorenz patent.

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Each part is produced in a different shop, and the shooting sight is assembled in a secret out-of-town plant. Military circles are optimistic about the new shooting sight, for which 96 percent hits are claimed.

DELIVERIES OF BUDATETENY AMMUNITION FACTORY

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The Budatetenyi 7042 Szam Loszergyar

at Nagyteteny made the following shipments to the USSR in January 1952:

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44,000	Type 48 M contact mines
10,000	Tri II 1/2-kg charges
14,000	7.5-cm armor-piercing shells
6,000	8.5-cm " " "
9,000	10.5-cm " " "
10,000	4.5-cm anti-aircraft shells
6,000	7.5-cm " " "
9,500	8.5-cm " " "
10,000	10.5-cm " " "

Shipments made to Hungarian barracks and ammunition dumps in January 1952 were as follows:

24,000	Type 48 M hand grenades to Szoreg
16,000	" " " " " " Kalocsa
14,000	" " " " " " Patka
10,000	" " " " " " Szigetvar
25,000	1-kg contact mines to Szigetvar
14,600	5-kg " " " Szak-Szend
5,000	2-kg " " " Szoreg
8,000	Tri II 1/2-kg charges to Szigetvar
10,000	" " " " " Kalocsa
15,000	" " " contact mines to Nagykanizsa
9,600	4.5-cm armor-piercing shells to Zalka Mate barracks, Budapest
15,000	7.5-cm " " " Pecs
8,000	8.5-cm armor-piercing shells to Karcag
6,000	10.5-cm " " " Szeged - Szoreg
9,600	4.5-cm anti-aircraft shells to Dozsa Gyorgy barracks, Budapest
10,000	7.5-cm " " " Celldomolk
8,000	8.5-cm " " " Debrecen
7,000	10.5-cm " " " Nyiragybast

OPERATE MYSTERIOUS WAR PLANT IN MELEGHEGY WOODS

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According to apparently reliable information, a secret war material factory started operation recently in the Meleghegy Erdo (between Madap and Lovasbereny) near Velence Lake. Building activities were started 1 1/2 years ago, and the entire wooded area was closed to tourists last autumn.

The secret plant started operation last autumn. Currently, approximately 400 workers are employed; they live in barracks near the factory. They are engaged in assembling machine guns, light cannon, and motor parts. The material is brought in trucks from the Lovasbereny or Kopolnasszyek railroad station, and the finished weapons are shipped out the same way.

CONSTRUCT UNDERGROUND FACTORY

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Construction of a large-scale underground factory has been begun along the Budacs highway between Budakeszi and Budacs. Some of the factory buildings extending over a stretch of one kilometer are built two stories deep underground.

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A total of 650 political prisoners and 450 civilian workers are employed on the project, which is known to the people of the district as the "chocolate factory."

Parts of the buildings were completed in November 1951 and, according to the workers, the entire project should be finished by summer 1952.

REPORTS EXPLOSION AT NAGYTETENY AMMUNITION FACTORY

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Recently, a serious explosion occurred in the 11/H shop of the Nagyteteny munitions factory. This shop was engaged in the manufacture of Tri II explosive. As a result of the investigation, Andor Obrian, shop chief, was suspended and Jozsef Domak and Mador Hesztiusz, members of the shop committee, were arrested.

EXPLOSION AT NAGYTETENY MUNITIONS FACTORY

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A serious explosion occurred in munitions factory No 7,042 at Nagyteteny in the last week of January 1952. No news of the explosion, which resulted in eight burned and 30 seriously wounded, has been published.

The explosion is reported to have been due to lack of safety devices and to speed-up. On the day following the explosion, part of the workers refused to resume operations, whereupon the management promised to increase the so-called risk allowance (200 forints per month) and compelled the workers to go back to the factory.

MINES FAIL TO EXPLODE

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Two trench mortar squads stationed in the Dozsa Gyorgy infantry barracks at Magykanizse recently held exercises near Inke. Nine of the 16 mines fired failed to explode. The investigation revealed that the fuse caps were defective and that a large part of the trench mortar mines stored at the barracks have the same defect.

GIVES DETAILS ON HUNGARIAN WEAPONS

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According to a former weapon master, the advantages and disadvantages of the weapons used by the Hungarian armed forces are as follows:

7.62 millimeter type-48 Soviet rifle -- Too long and handicaps the soldier in jumping. The muzzle sight is unstable. Due to poor material, the rifle rusts easily.

7.62-millimeter automatic pistol -- The aim is relatively good, but the material is poor and the pistol is disliked by the soldier because of its weight.

7.62-millimeter Soviet-type automatic pistol -- The material is poor, but the aim is good up to 100-120 meters.

7.62-millimeter Soviet-type machine gun -- The material is extremely poor. The weapon has good aim, but is difficult to handle.

7.62-millimeter Soviet-type automatic rifle -- This weapon is made of better material. The standard charge is yellow; the incendiary charge is red; the signal charge, green; and the antiarmor charge, red-black. In antiaircraft operations every fifth charge is standard, followed by a signal and an incendiary charge.

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82-millimeter Soviet-type trench mortar -- The material is likewise poor, but the aim is relatively good.

120-millimeter Soviet-type medium-heavy trench mortar -- Has the same advantage and disadvantage as the 82-millimeter trench mortar. The heaviest type trench mortar, the so-called "Katyusha," has not yet been introduced into the Hungarian armed forces.

76.6-millimeter semiautomatic Soviet-type antitank gun -- The barrel is made of relatively good material and maintenance is easy. Three kinds of charges are used: an armor-piercing charge, which pierces the armor of the Soviet T34 tank from a distance of 500 meters and develops excessive heat, forcing personnel to leave the car; a second charge used against fortifications; and a third used against infantry.

76.5-millimeter field gun -- Practically the same as the antitank gun; only the aim is different.

4.5-millimeter Soviet-type light armor-piercing gun -- This weapon is a duplicate, on a small scale, of the 76.6-millimeter heavy armor-piercing gun.

The Hungarian-made weapons of Soviet types are considerably better.

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